

COMMUNITY OUTREACH EFFORTS

July 2007

July 18, 2007—Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention DMC Conference Call

Conference planning for the upcoming Annual Event in Denver, Colorado is taking place. For some time technical assistance provided by DSG was suspended but has now resumed. Continued efforts to make the DMC Web-Based entry more user friendly are still top priority. The DMC Action Network continues to seek applicants with programs with at least two years of operation under their belt. Requests submitted by Burns Institute may be granted, it is up to the State's discretion if they would like to release the information or not.

July 24, 2007—Indiana Disproportionality Committee, Marketing and Public Policy Sub-Committees

Both sub-committees have been working diligently in order for progression to continue. Presentation opportunities are steady and continued efforts for appointments for the IDC Commission are still in progress. A final list of appointees should be readily available to the public by the end of August. As a result of their being a number of Commission representatives required the selection process has been extended. News ways to release information and communicate to Indiana's residents the impact disproportionality has on various fields and actions made by those in various positions are being visited.

July 25, 2007—State of Our Black Youth, Indianapolis Sub-Committee

The SOBY Information Postcards were a big success at the Indiana Black Expo held earlier in the month. Prevent Child Abuse Indiana in conjunction with The Villages were able to print 500 copies of the postcard size flyer to distribute over the weekend with Kids First Funds. Skit production was suspended until after Expo and full review of the skit had been completed by the Committee. Another meeting with ICJI staff, Expo's Video Institute, and Asante Children's Theatre is scheduled fro the beginning of August so production can be completed and the editing process can begin.

July 26, 2007—Juvenile Judges Symposium

It was the Indiana Disproportionality Committee's second appearance at the Juvenile Judges Symposium hosted by The Villages of Indiana. Two facilitators supporting the commentary by Judge Gaither in regards to disproportionality and how it directly impacts his personal courtroom were the basis of the workshop session. Individuals from diverse backgrounds were present in sharing their experiences and suggestions in addressing the issues.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

August 1, 2007: SOBY Skit Discussion — 1pm at Starbucks (16th Street)

August 6, 2007: JDAI DMC-C Subcommittee — 11am at 25th and Keystone

August 6, 2007: Education Steering Committee — 1pm

August 8, 2007: IDC Large Committee Meeting — 1pm at IJJTF

August 14, 2007: IJDA Meeting — 10am at IYI

August 16, 2007: IDC Training Sub-Committee — 2:30pm at IMHC

August 22, 2007: SOBY Meeting — 10am at Wishard Hospital

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